

September 24, 1914.

There was a meeting of the Board of Public Works held at the offices of the Board in the Garrett Building, Baltimore, Maryland, this day at twelve o'clock.

Present: Governor Goldsborough and Comptroller Harrington

The Governor stated that the primary object of the meeting of the Board was to hear the complaint of Mr. George Cox and Mr. Ernest Cox with reference to the alleged raids upon their oyster grounds in the Manokin River. At the invitation of the Board the Attorney General was present, also the Shell Fish Commission, Commander Howard and Mr. Coleman, Attorney for the Messrs. Cox. The Board heard at length the statements made by all the parties present including Mr. Harwood of Roland Park and after careful consideration the following formal action was taken, to-wit:

The complaint of George A. Cox and Ernest Cox having been duly heard and considered, upon motion duly seconded, the following resolutions were adopted:-

RESOLVED that Commander T. C. B. Howard of the State Fishery Force be directed to proceed to the Manokin River, and to assist the Chief Engineer of the Shellfish Commission to locate and replace the buoys designating the boundaries of the oyster beds leased by the State of Maryland to George A. Cox and Ernest Cox and their respective wives.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the said Commander serve notice upon the tongers and oystermen operating in that and other localities that leased oyster beds are the private property of such lessees, and that the said Commander is duly authorized, empowered and directed by the Board of Public Works to take such steps and adopt such means as may be necessary to prevent depredations on all leased bottoms.

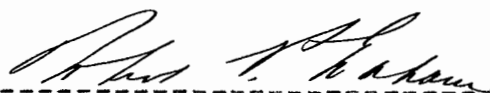
A letter addressed to the Board of Public Works by Mr. J. B. Spedden was presented and the Secretary was ordered to call the attention of the Commander of the Oyster Navy to it.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was ordered that the Steamer McLane be placed at the disposal of the Shellfish Commission for their work in resurveying until October 15, 1914, and that Capt. Howard, Commander of the Oyster Navy be notified

of that fact.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was ordered that Miss Grace Bull be paid the sum of \$15.00 per month dating from October 1, 1914, out of the contingent fund of the Board of Public Works for services as telephone operator in the Garrett Building which sum is in addition to the sum paid her by the State Roads Commission.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.



Secretary,

